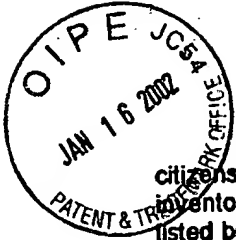


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DECLARATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION,  
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GEAR RACK ARRANGEMENT

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I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Joseph S. Tripoli (Reg. No. 26,040), Peter M. Emanuel (Reg. No. 26,542) and Gregory P. Gadson (Reg. No. 31,254) Telephone: (609) 734-9481.

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Signature: Peter Hoch

Date: 16. October 1995.

Sole or First Joint Inventor: Peter Hoch

Citizenship: German

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hereinafter referred to as the assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and in and to said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof;

NOW THIS WITNESSETH, that for good and valuable consideration paid by said assignee to said assignor, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, said assignor hereby assigns, sells and transfers to said assignee, and said assignee's successors and assigns, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and in and to said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof; said assignee, and said assignee's successors and assigns, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and the said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, with all the rights, powers, privileges and advantages in anywise arising from or appertaining thereto, for and during the term or terms of any and all such patents when granted, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, for the use and benefit of said assignee, and said assignee's successors and assigns, in as ample and beneficial a manner as the said assignor might or could have held and enjoyed the same, if this assignment had not been made.

AND said assignor hereby agrees to perform, upon the request of said assignee, or said assignee's successors or assigns, any and all acts relating to the obtaining or to the asserting of said patents, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof.

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EXECUTED, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1995.

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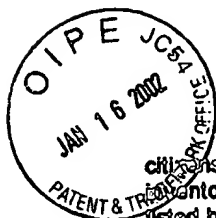
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**Assignment/Agreement.**

For valuable consideration received, I hereby sell, assign and transfer to THOMSON LICENSING S.A., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of France, its successors, and assigns my entire right, title and interest, for all countries in and to said inventions, and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor, and any divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof.

I agree that, when requested, I will, without charge to said corporation but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, make all rightful declarations and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents or other forms of protection for said inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in said corporation, its successors, assigns or nominees.

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I hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the right of the said corporation or its successors, assigns or nominees to apply for patent or other proper protection for said inventions, and to claim the aforesaid benefits of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

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